Public Notice – Environmental Project

PURPOSE OF NOTICE:

The Department of Environmental Quality seeks public comment on the state's response to the environmental aspects of a proposed project in the City of Norfolk, Virginia.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

February 19, 2010 to March 12, 2010

TYPE OF RESPONSE:

Federal Consistency Determination

DEQ is reviewing a proposed federal action to determine if it is consistent with the Virginia Coastal Resources Management Program (VCP) established pursuant to the U.S. Coastal Zone Management Act. The VCP seeks to protect the quality of air, water or other natural resources in Virginia's coastal area.

NAME OF AGENCY PROPOSING THE PROJECT:

DOD/US Navy

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The U.S. Navy proposes to remove accumulated sand from stormwater outfall 058 at Naval Station Norfolk in the City of Norfolk. Outfall 058 discharges along the northern shore of the installation into Willoughby Bay and is being blocked and filled in with accumulated sand. The outfall blockage is causing flooding and standing water to accumulate on the installation during and after rain events. The Navy proposes to remove accumulated sand in front of the outfall until a long term solution can be implemented. Sand tends to accumulate quickly. Therefore, several rounds of sand removal events may be required until the problem can be permanently addressed. The Navy has submitted a Federal Consistency Determination (FCD) that finds the proposed action consistent to the maximum extent practicable with the enforceable policies of the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program (VCP) (previously called the Virginia Coastal Resources Management Program).

HOW TO COMMENT:

DEQ accepts comments from the public by e-mail, fax or postal mail. All comments must include the name, address and telephone number of the person commenting and be received by DEQ within the comment period. The public may review the project documents at DEQ's central office in Richmond.

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